



THE DAILY BEAT

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MONTANA TRIBAL NEWS:



JAMES WOODCOCK/Gazette Staff
Crow Tribal Chairman Carl Venne, left, watches as Eastern Shoshone Tribal Chairman Ivan Posey presents a blanket to Terry Cline, administrator of Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, during a ceremony Monday morning. Cline presented the tribes with a check for \$5.6 million for their substance abuse programs.

TRIBES WIN GRANT FOR ADDICTION PROGRAM

By DIANE COCHRAN, Billings Gazette 01/15/08

A \$5.6 million federal grant awarded to the Montana-Wyoming Tribal Leaders Council will help American Indian communities battle addictions to methamphetamine and other substances.

SCHWEITZER PRESENTING BLACKFEET \$425,000

By KARL PUCKETT, Great Falls Tribune 01/15/08

Weather permitting, Gov. Brian Schweitzer is scheduled to be in Browning today to present the Blackfeet Tribe with a check for \$425,000 related to water rights negotiations between the state and the tribe.

ANNUAL 400-MILE RUN COMMEMORATES LONG-AGO ESCAPE

By LUELLA N. BRIEN, Billings Gazette 01/15/08



James Woodcock/Billings Gazette
Runners take part in the 12th annual Fort Robinson Outbreak Spiritual Run on Monday afternoon near Busby. The 400-mile journey was covered by the youngsters in six days. Started as a way to preserve Cheyenne history, the run has attracted more and more people each year.

BUSBY - Their legs were cramping. Their feet burned. But more than 130 Northern Cheyenne youngsters sprinted the last half-mile stretch of the 12th annual Fort Robinson Outbreak Spiritual Run on Monday.

MICROSOFT OFFICIAL PROMOTES TECH ED

By CHARLES S. JOHNSON, Billings Gazette 01/11/08

HELENA - A Microsoft Corp. official said Thursday he worries about the lack of attention being paid to technological innovation in U.S. schools to produce the "highly educated and

technically proficient workers that can fuel our economy."

OUSTED TRIBAL CHIEF TAKES DISPUTE TO COURT

By BECKY SHAY, Billings Gazette 01/11/08

Eugene Little Coyote has filed a complaint in federal court seeking to be reinstated as president of the Northern Cheyenne Tribe.

ANTI-METH AND CHILD SUPPORT INITIATIVES KICK OFF AT ROCKY BOY MONDAY

By TIM LEEDS Havre Daily News 01/11/08

A myriad of activities are planned at a two-day meeting at Rocky Boy's Indian Reservation next week, including tribal, state and federal officials coming for the grand kickoff of a child support program and a new program to fight methamphetamine spearheaded by the Montana reservation.

TRIBAL ECONOMIC RELATIONS IN THE SHADOW OF NLRA

By Editors Report Indian Country Today © 01/11/08

The current trend in American Indian reservation economic development tends toward tribal government ownership and management of business. Until a few decades ago, most businesses on Indian reservations were owned by non-Indians. In recent years, patterns of business ownership on reservations have shifted toward tribal enterprises and more local tribal businesses.

NONPROFIT TURNS DONATED PROPERTIES INTO SPACE FOR SMALL BUSINESSES

By [KEVIN DUFFY](#), The Atlanta Journal-Constitution 12/20/07

Growing up in Brazil as the son of a missionary, entrepreneur Joseph Johnson saw dire poverty that left a deep impression. It helped shape his view that "the most simple purpose of business is to improve life." That philosophy became the guiding principal behind SeedAmerica, an Alpharetta non-profit company Johnson founded in 2005.

SeedAmerica asks corporations to donate vacant industrial buildings so the space can be rented to small businesses.

COLLEGE STUDENTS AND STAFF AWAIT BIGGER, BETTER LIBRARY

Story by Brett Thomas-DeJongh CrowNews.Net 01/15/08



Photos by Tyler Wilson

Larry Kindness, construction liaison and building inspector for Little Big Horn College, discusses building plans for the school's new library.

Children sit around the fireplace, listening to a storyteller weave a tale. A college student—ready to start work on a term paper—searches rows of book shelves. On the periphery, a couple of teens update Myspace pages. Little Big Horn College administrators take care of business on the second floor, and below them the college archives hold the history of the Apsaalooke, the region and more.

RURAL OUTSOURCING COMPANY OPENS IN BILLINGS

KXLH 01/14/08

A new business in Billings is bringing the "big city" to the Magic City.

The business intelligence company called About BI is doing something new, rural out-sourcing. They promise to bring hundreds of jobs to Billings.

GILKEY CENTER COULD BE A REALITY FOR BUSINESS SCHOOL

By Ashley Zuelke, Montana Kaimin 11/29/07

More than a decade after the Gallagher Business Building's construction, the School of Business Administration's desire to expand is within reach.

The fundraising campaign for the Gilkey Center for Executive Education has nearly two-thirds of its funding and could reach its goal within the next two or three months.

LUCKY WINNERS

By The Associated Press

HELENA, Mont. (AP) -- A Crow couple shares the winnings of \$100,000 Montana lottery prize.

LINING UP LINEMEN

By Lori Grannis, Montana Standard - 01/13/2008

Retiring journeymen pose the greatest labor challenge Montana faces in 2008, according to Montana Department of Labor and Industry Commissioner Keith Kelly.

JOB VACANCIES:

GIS DATABASE ANALYST, POSITION #61136458, State of Montana, Department of Administration, Helena. Salary \$52,762 to \$65,953 DOQ. Provides Geographic Information Systems (GIS) application support for ITSD and assists state agencies with deployment of state standard database and application development technology. Application deadline: 5:00 p.m. Monday January 28, 2008. For a complete vacancy announcement contact our website at http://statejobs.mt.gov/pls/mjs/MJS0110W.QueryView?P_E_MPR_ID_SEQ=48576&P_JORD_APPL_SEQ=296

MANAGEMENT ANALYST, POSITION

#61166411, State of Montana, Department of Administration, Helena. Salary range \$47,415 to \$52,684 DOQ. Responsible for managing the customer interface for information technology services provided by the Information Technology Services Division. Application deadline: 5:00 p.m. Monday January 28, 2008. For a complete vacancy announcement contact our website at http://statejobs.mt.gov/pls/mjs/MJS0110W.QueryView?P_E_MPR_ID_SEQ=48576&P_JORD_APPL_SEQ=295

MUSEUM EXHIBIT TECHNICIAN

POSITION #:38004
LOCATION: Virginia City
DIVISION: Montana Heritage Commission
PAY BAND: 3
STATUS: Short Term Worker (Not to Exceed 90 work days)
JOB CODE: 254153
SUPPLEMENT: NO
ANNUAL SALARY: \$8.70 - \$10.863 (Depending on experience, continuous service and salaries of existing employees).

Application Deadline: Applications must be submitted to a Montana Job Service Office or the Montana Department of Commerce, Personnel Office, PO Box 200501, Helena MT 59620-0501. **This Museum Exhibit Technician position is an open posting and applications will be accepted until July 31, 2008, or until filled. To be considered for the initial screening, applications must be received or postmarked by February 15, 2008.**

The Montana Department of Commerce will accept FAXED application materials and electronic application materials via E-mail to docapplicants@mt.gov.

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

POSITION #: 66511
LOCATION: Helena
DIVISION: Board of Investments
PAY BAND: 3
STATUS: Permanent, Full-time
JOB CODE: 436113
SUPPLEMENT: NO
ANNUAL SALARY: \$9.64 – \$12.05 (Depending on experience, continuous service and salaries of existing employees).

Application Deadline: Applications must be submitted to a Montana Job Service Office or the Montana Department of Commerce, Personnel Office, PO Box 200501, Helena MT 59620-0501. **Applications must be received or postmarked by the closing date of February 8, 2008.**

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EVENTS/TRAINING:

BOOTSTRAP MONTANA LOAN PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The Bootstrap Montana Loan Program is designed to provide funds for initiatives that will have a rapid and positive impact on sales or the competitiveness of the company. Such uses of funds might be:

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- Funds to supplement the salary of a new high potential salesperson
- Funds to attend a trade show at which orders will be taken
- Funds to purchase key prospect lists
- Applicants should look at these dollars as 'sales acceleration funding' or a way to capitalize on a sales or market opportunity that requires quick but limited financial investment.

NRCS OFFERS RESOURCE TRAINING FOR STUDENTS
BOZEMAN - STUDENTS INTERESTED IN NATURAL RESOURCE FIELDS CAN GAIN PRACTICAL EXPERIENCE BY WORKING WITH THE NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE.

The Student Career Experience Program provides an opportunity for high school and undergraduate students to participate in planned on-the-job training during the summer while attending college during the school year. NRCS will accept applications for 10 positions across Montana until March 3. Applicants must be at least 16 years old.